# City of Richmond



CHERLYN STARLET STEVENS SECRETARY

JAMES M. NACHMAN CHAIR

JOYCE KING SMITH VICE-CHAIR

Electoral Board

Meeting Minutes April 28, 2021 "SIC ITUR AD ASTRA"

SUCH IS THE WAY OF THE STARS

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the City of Richmond Electoral Board was called to order by Chairman James Nachman. In attendance were Joyce Smith, Vice-Chair; C. Starlet Stevens, Secretary; Jerry Richardson, Acting General Registrar; Adriene Davis, Exec. Asst. to the Electoral Board and Lisa Cosby, Office Manager.

## PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments for items on the agenda.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion was made by Secretary Starlet Stevens to accept the minutes of the meeting held April 13, 2021. Motion seconded by Vice-Chair, Joyce Smith. Motion passed.

#### **CLOSED SESSION:** To revisit the discussion of Ames Russell

Secretary Starlet Stevens read the motion to hold a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act to discuss Ames Russell, former Chief of precinct 115. All were in favor.

The Certification of Closed Meeting was read by Secretary Stevens according to <u>Section 2.2-3712</u> of the Code of Virginia, all members of the Board signed "yes" to the certification unanimously.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mrs. Elizabeth Butler submitted her comments in writing to be discussed by Dr. Barbara Zedler and herself and asked that the comments be included in the minutes.

Chairman James Nachman was in opposition of including the comments of Mrs. Butler and Dr. Zedler into the record. Secretary Stevens motioned to include the notes presented by Mrs. Butler be included in the records of this meeting. No one seconded the motion. Motion failed.

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## **NEXT MEETING DATE**

Secretary Stevens suggested that a meeting should be held to include the new General Registrar, Keith Balmer, to discuss the June Primary. Chairman Nachman suggested that the Board allow Mr. Balmer to make that decision. A meeting date was not set.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Acting Registrar Richardson noted that Mr. Keith Balmer will be sworn in on May 10, 2021 as the new General Registrar for the City of Richmond and that the event will be historical.

There being no further business, Chairman Nachman called to adjourn the meeting.

James M. Nachman
Chairman to the Electoral Board

Joyce K. Smith
Vice Chairwoman to the Electoral Board

Cherlyn S. Stevens
Secretary to the Electoral Board